

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Applicant: Tong Xiao

App. No.: 10/694,139

Filed: October 27, 2003

Title: ABSTRACTION GENERATION FOR  
HIERARCHICAL TIMING ANALYSIS  
USING IMPLICITY CONNECTIVITY  
GRAPH DERIVED FROM DOMAIN  
PROPAGATION

Con. No.: 3241

Art Unit: 2825

Examiner: Memula, Suresh

**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

MAIL STOP AMENDMENT  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Office action dated September 1, 2006, please consider the following remarks and amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 6 of this paper.